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ACTIVITY OF XENOBIOTIC SUBSTANCES

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**COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 15, 2006
NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN
THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)
AND PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This Communication is submitted in response to the September 15, 2006 Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. The September 15, 2006 Notice, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, provides two (2) months for filing a response. Therefore, a response to the September 15, 2006 Notice was due November 15, 2006. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). The required fee is \$120.00 for a one-month extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136. A check in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed. With a two-month extension of time, a response to the September 15, 2006 Notice is due December 15, 2006. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

The September 15, 2006 Notice indicates that the oath or

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declaration is unsigned. In response, applicants submit hereto as **Exhibit B** a signed Declaration and Power of Attorney pursuant to 37 C.F.R. \$1.53(f). In compliance with 37 C.F.R. \$1.63, the Declaration refers to the application's above-identified serial number and filing date.

A copy of the signed Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

No fee, other than the \$120.00 fee for a one-month extension of time under 37 CFR \$1.136, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this response. Accordingly, a check in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed. Moreover, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

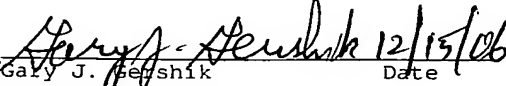
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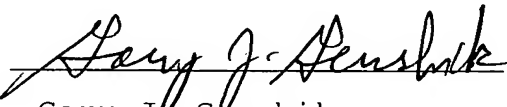
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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 04/26/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 04/26/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 04/26/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 04/26/2006
- Biochemical Sequence Diskette filed on 04/26/2006
- Biochemical Sequence Listing filed on 04/26/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 04/26/2006
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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions

or 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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